

# Daily Digest

## HIGHLIGHTS

See Résumé of Congressional Activity.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S6009–S6031*

**Measures Introduced:** Eighteen bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 4778–4795, and S. Res. 742–745. **Pages S6026–27**

#### Measures Reported:

S. 1046, to establish the Office of Internet Connectivity and Growth, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 116–274)

S. 2203, to extend the transfer of Electronic Travel Authorization System fees from the Travel Promotion Fund to the Corporation for Travel Promotion (Brand USA) through fiscal year 2027, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 116–275)

S. 4138, to amend title 5, United States Code, to make permanent the authority of the United States Patent and Trademark Office to conduct a telework travel expenses program. (S. Rept. No. 116–276)

S. 4200, to establish a program to facilitate the adoption of modern technology by executive agencies, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 116–277) **Page S6026**

#### Measures Passed:

**National Childhood Cancer Awareness Month:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 742, designating September 2020 as “National Childhood Cancer Awareness Month”. **Pages S6028–29, S6030–31**

**National Retirement Security Month:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 743, supporting the goals and ideals of National Retirement Security Month, including raising public awareness of the various tax-preferred retirement vehicles, increasing personal financial literacy, and engaging the people of the United States on the keys to success in achieving and maintaining retirement security throughout their lifetimes. **Page S6029**

**Whole Veteran Act:** Senate passed H.R. 2359, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to submit to

Congress a report on the Department of Veterans Affairs advancing of whole health transformation.

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**Identifying Barriers and Best Practices Study Act:** Committee on Veterans’ Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 4183, to direct the Comptroller General of the United States to conduct a study on disability and pension benefits provided to members of the National Guard and members of reserve components of the Armed Forces by the Department of Veterans Affairs, and the bill was then passed. **Page S6031**

#### Measures Considered:

**Protect Act:** Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 4675, to amend the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act. **Pages S6011–15**

**Healthcare Protections:** By 51 yeas to 43 nays (Vote No. 200), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 4653, to protect the healthcare of hundreds of millions of people of the United States and prevent efforts of the Department of Justice to advocate courts to strike down the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act. **Page S6015**

**National Medal of Honor Monument Act—Referral Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry be discharged from further consideration of S. 4433, to authorize the National Medal of Honor Museum Foundation to establish a commemorative work in the District of Columbia and its environs, and the bill then be referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. **Page S6026**

**Messages from the President:** Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the designation as an emergency requirement all funding (including the rescission of funds) so designated by the Congress in the Continuing Appropriations Act, 2021, pursuant to section 251 (b) (2) (A) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, as outlined in the enclosed list of accounts; which was referred to the Committee on the Budget. (PM–60) **Page S6025**

Transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the designation for Overseas Contingency Operations/Global War on Terrorism all funding (including the rescission of funds) so designated by the Congress in the Continuing Appropriations Act, 2021, pursuant to section 251 (b) (2) (A) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, as outlined in the enclosed list of accounts; which was referred to the Committee on the Budget. (PM–61) **Page S6025**

**Newman Nomination—Agreement:** Senate continued consideration of the nomination of Michael Jay Newman, of Ohio, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Ohio. **Pages S6015–21**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at approximately 4:30 p.m., on Monday, October 5, 2020, Senate resume consideration of the nomination. **Page S6031**

**Messages from the House:** **Page S6025**

**Measures Referred:** **Pages S6025–26**

**Measures Placed on the Calendar:** **Pages S6011, S6026**

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**Additional Statements:** **Page S6024**

**Amendments Submitted:** **Page S6030**

**Authorities for Committees to Meet:** **Page S6030**

**Record Votes:** One record vote was taken today. (Total—200) **Page S6015**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 12 noon and adjourned at 4:31 p.m., until 4:30 p.m. on Monday, October 5, 2020. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S6031.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### SUPPLY CHAIN INTEGRITY

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support concluded a hearing to examine supply chain integrity, after receiving testimony Ellen M. Lord, Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Committee approved the authorization to subpoena the attendance of a witness for purpose of a hearing to Jack Dorsey, Chief Executive Officer, Twitter; to subpoena the attendance of a witness for purpose of a hearing to Sundar Pichai, Chief Executive Officer, Alphabet Inc., Google; and to subpoena the attendance of a witness for purpose of a hearing to Mark Zuckerberg, Chief Executive Officer, Facebook.

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 33 public bills, H.R. 8470–8502; 1 private bill, H.R. 8503; and 10 resolutions, H. Res. 1165–1174, were introduced. **Pages H5637–39**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages H5640–41**

**Report Filed:** A report was filed today as follows:

H. Res. 1164, providing for consideration of the resolution (H. Res. 1153) condemning unwanted, unnecessary medical procedures on individuals without their full, informed consent, and providing for consideration of the resolution (H. Res. 1154) con-

demning QAnon and rejecting the conspiracy theories it promotes (H. Rept. 116–557). **Pages H5123, H5123–36**

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Cuellar to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H5109**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 10:18 a.m. and reconvened at 11 a.m. **Page H5120**

**Point of Personal Privilege:** Representative King (IA) rose to a point of personal privilege and was recognized to proceed for one hour. **Pages H5136–42**